

Agriculture & Co-operation Department – Implementation of Organic Certification – Operational grants to establish Telangana State Seed Certification Agency – Grant – in-Aid for an amount of Rs. 301.15 lakhs - Orders — Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (AGRI - I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 103 Dated: 27/02/2016.

Read:

From Director, TSSCA, Lr. No. SCA/C/385/20106-17, dated 17-02-2016.

ORDER:

The Director, Telangana State Seed Certification Agency (TSSCA), Hyderabad in the reference read above informed that in the inaugural address of Sikkim Organic Festival, 2016 the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India while appreciating Sikkim's progress in organic farming, said that it was a state "where the environment is protected and at the same time it is scaling new heights of development" and "It has been agreed by all nations that we have to change our life style. We cannot exploit nature. We have to live in harmony with nature."

- 2. In line with the above Telangana State Seed Certification Agency is also proposing to start Organic Certification by establishing Telangana State Organic Certification Agency (TSOCA) with the aim to render service in inspection and certification of Agricultural Products and food processing by assessing the conformity of the products with NPOP standards and other international standards.
- 3. The Government have examined the matter in detail and it is agreed in principle to strengthen the newly formed Telangana State Seed Certification Agency to establish Telangana State Organic Certification Agency to render the service in inspection and certification of Agricultural products and food processing as the demand for organic products is increasing day-by-day.
- 4. The required budget for the purpose will be provided in a phased manner from "Seed Chain" Component during 2016-17.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

C.PARTHASARATHI APC & SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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